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139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
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119	320	219	160	Notice of Appeal	
120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	280	221	140	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,280	241	640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,280	242	640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	460	243	230	Design issue fee	
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126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
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146	740	246	370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
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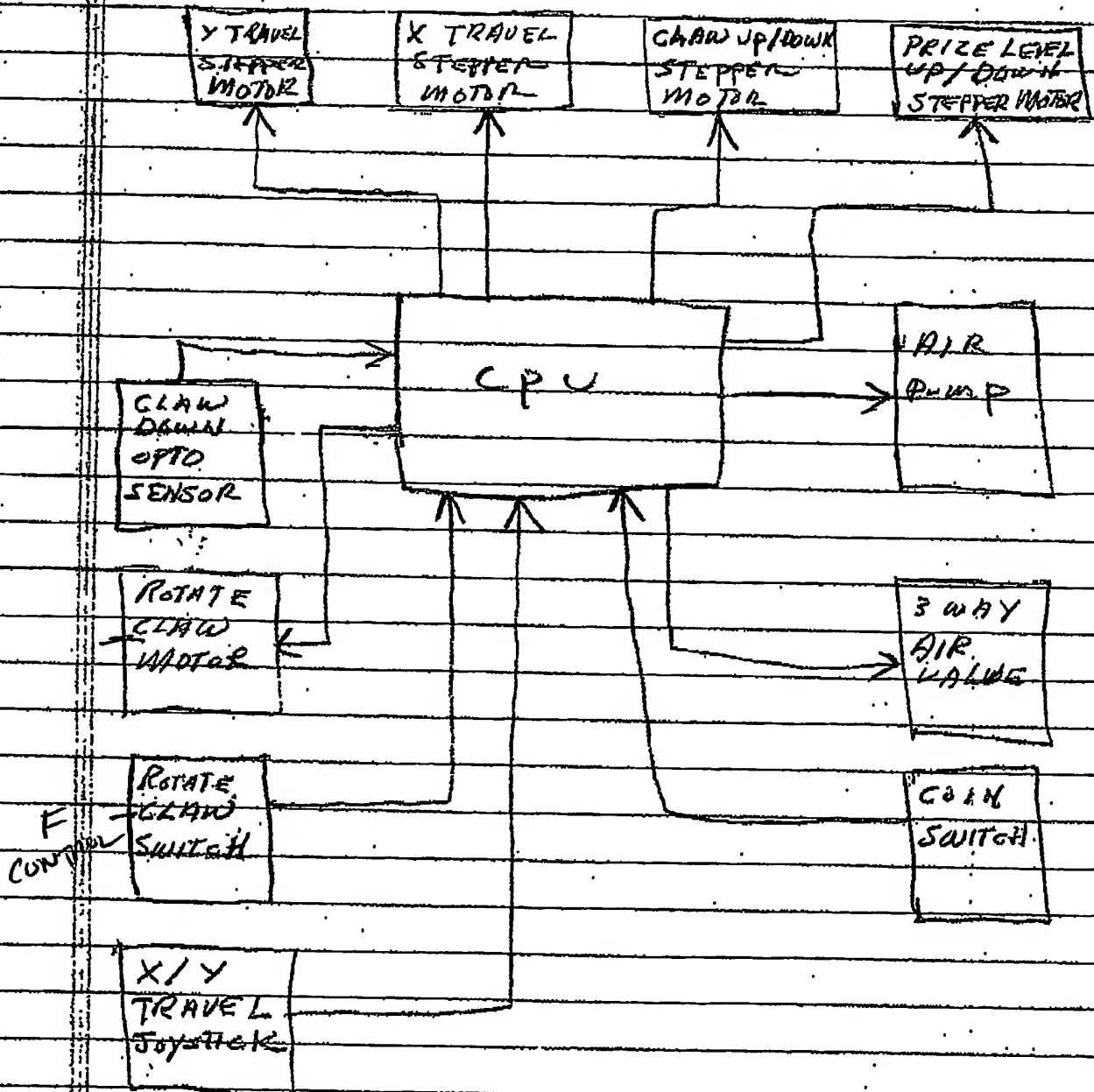
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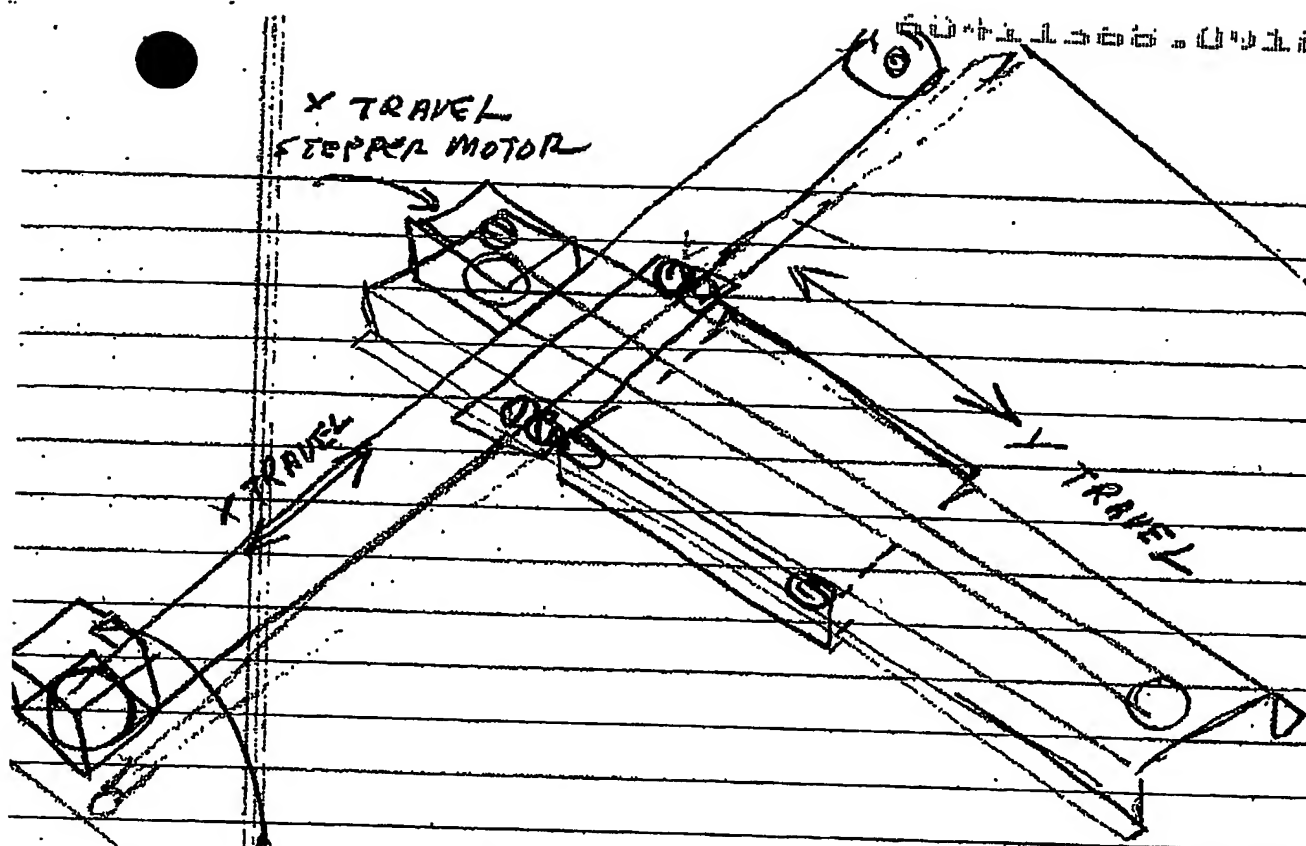
- (1) AIR CYLINDER REPLACES HIGH CURRENT SOLENOID THAT DON'T HAVE LINEAR POWER CURVE.
- (2) AIR CYLINDER WILL NOT HEAT UP LIKE A SOLENOID DOSE THAT CHANGES THE POWER CURVE DEPENDING ON TEMP.
- (3) CLAW UP/DOWN STEPPER MOTOR CAN DETECT LEVEL OF PRIZES TO INSTRUCT WHEN TO RAISE LEVEL OF PRIZES TO KEEP GAME AT A FULL LEVEL TO INVITE MORE PLAY.
4. WITH AIR DRIVEN CLAW THERE IS NO SOLENOID POWER WIRE CONNECTED TO SIDE OF CLAW BY HAVING A SINGLE AIR LINE CONNECTED TO CENTER OF CLAW ASSY. WE ROTATE CLAW UP TO 60 DEGREES GIVING PLAYER MORE INTERACTION.
- (5) UNTIL NOW A CRANES HAS X/Y/Z/TRAVEL WE NOW HAVE X/Y/Z AND ROTATE.
- (6) A AIR CYLINDER HAS EVEN TORQUE THROUGHOUT FULL TRAVEL.

STEPPER MOTORS VERSUS DC MOTORS

- (1.) WITH DC MOTORS TRAVELING $X/Y/Z$ TRAVEL THEY NEED A END OF TRAVEL SWITCH AT EACH END. 6 SWITCHES IN TOTAL WITH STEPPER MOTORS NO SWITCHES ARE NEEDED.
- (2.) IF THERE IS A MECHANICAL PROBLEM THAT LIMITS TRAVEL A DC MOTOR WILL BURN OUT IN A STALL POSITION. IF A STEPPER MOTOR IS STALLED IT WILL JUST SLIP.



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STEPPER MOTOR X
TRAVEL

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Y TRACK

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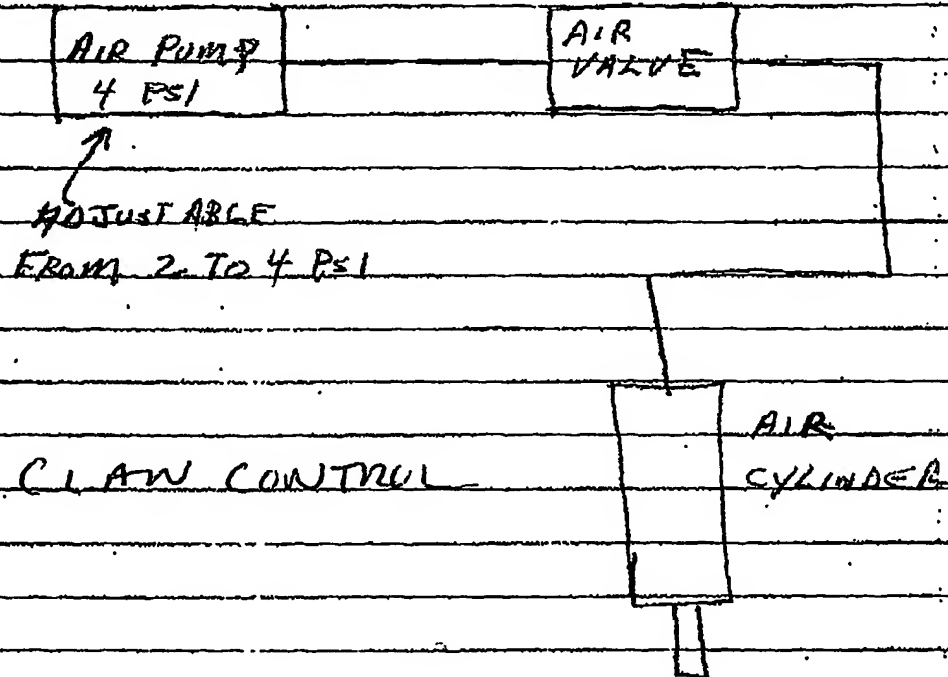
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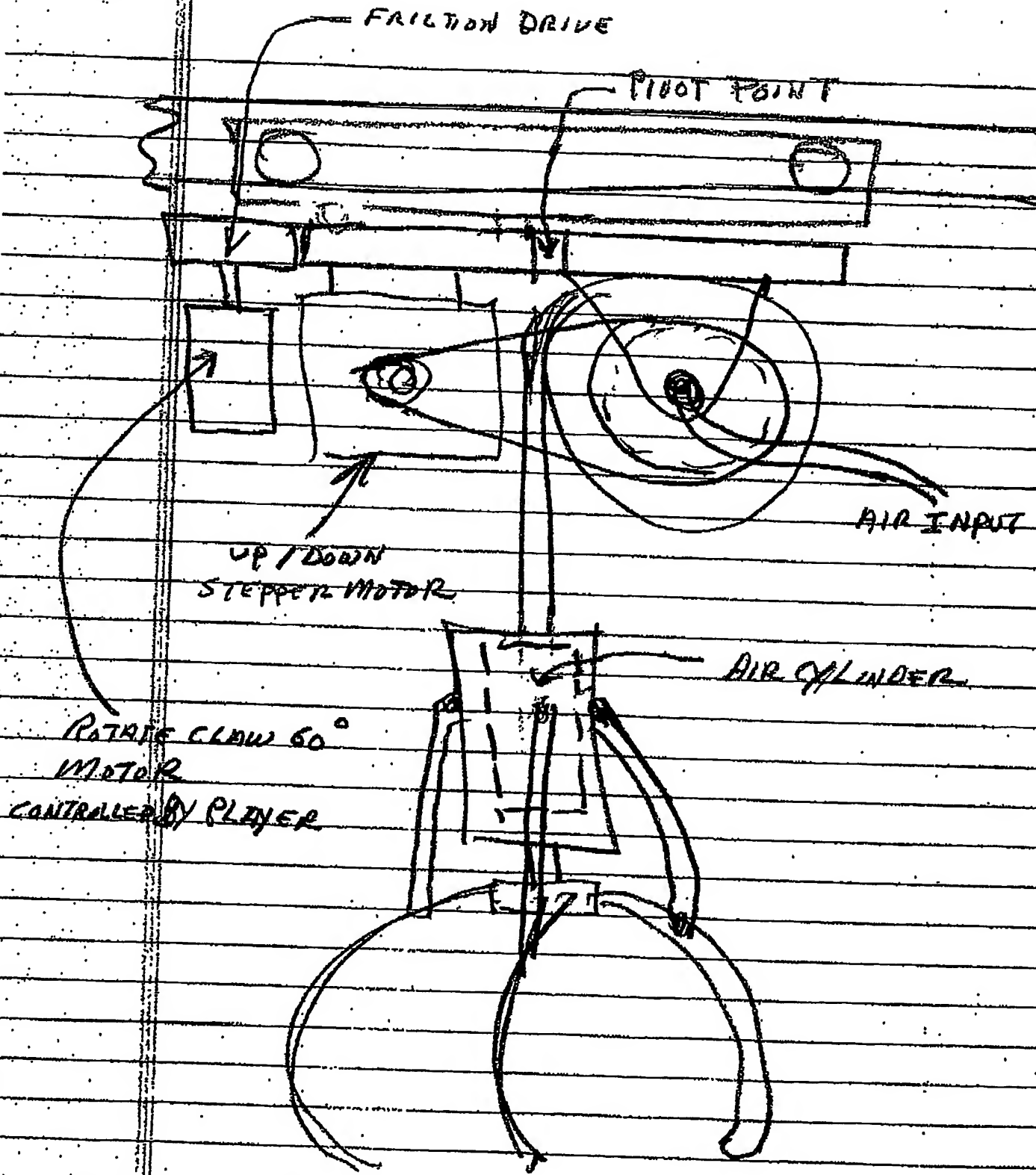
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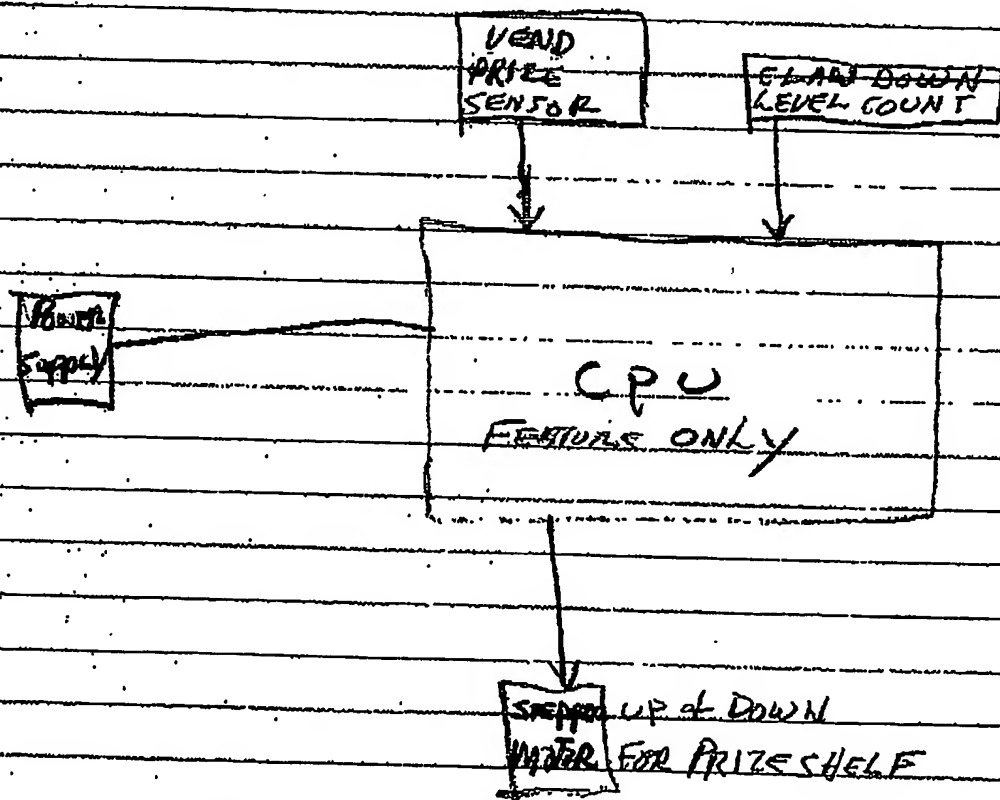
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CRANE FEATURE TO KEEP PRIZE LEVEL FULL AND RELOADS 50% LESS.

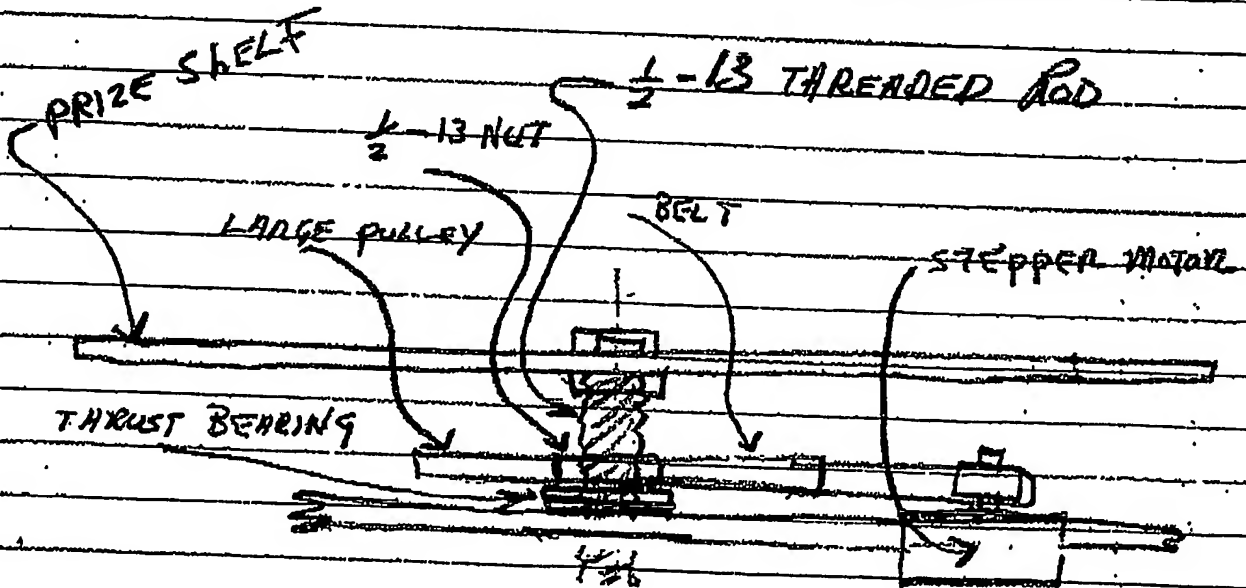
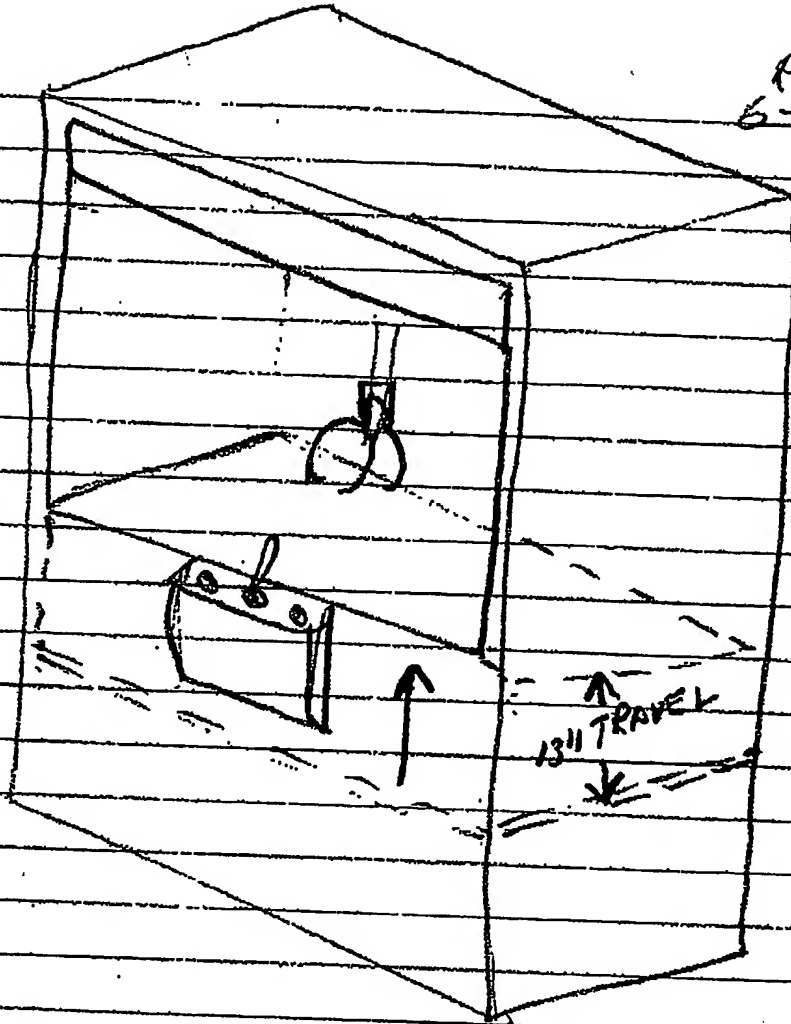
- (1) THE STEPPER MOTOR WILL RAISE THE PRIZE SHELF WHEN PRIZE VEND COUNT TABLE IS REACHED OR HOW FAR THE CLAW CAN BE LOWERED. THE RATE OF CLIMB FOR PRIZE SHELF IS VERY SLOW ABOUT 1" PER HOUR. MAXIMUM SPEED. RESET SPEED WILL BE NORMAL.



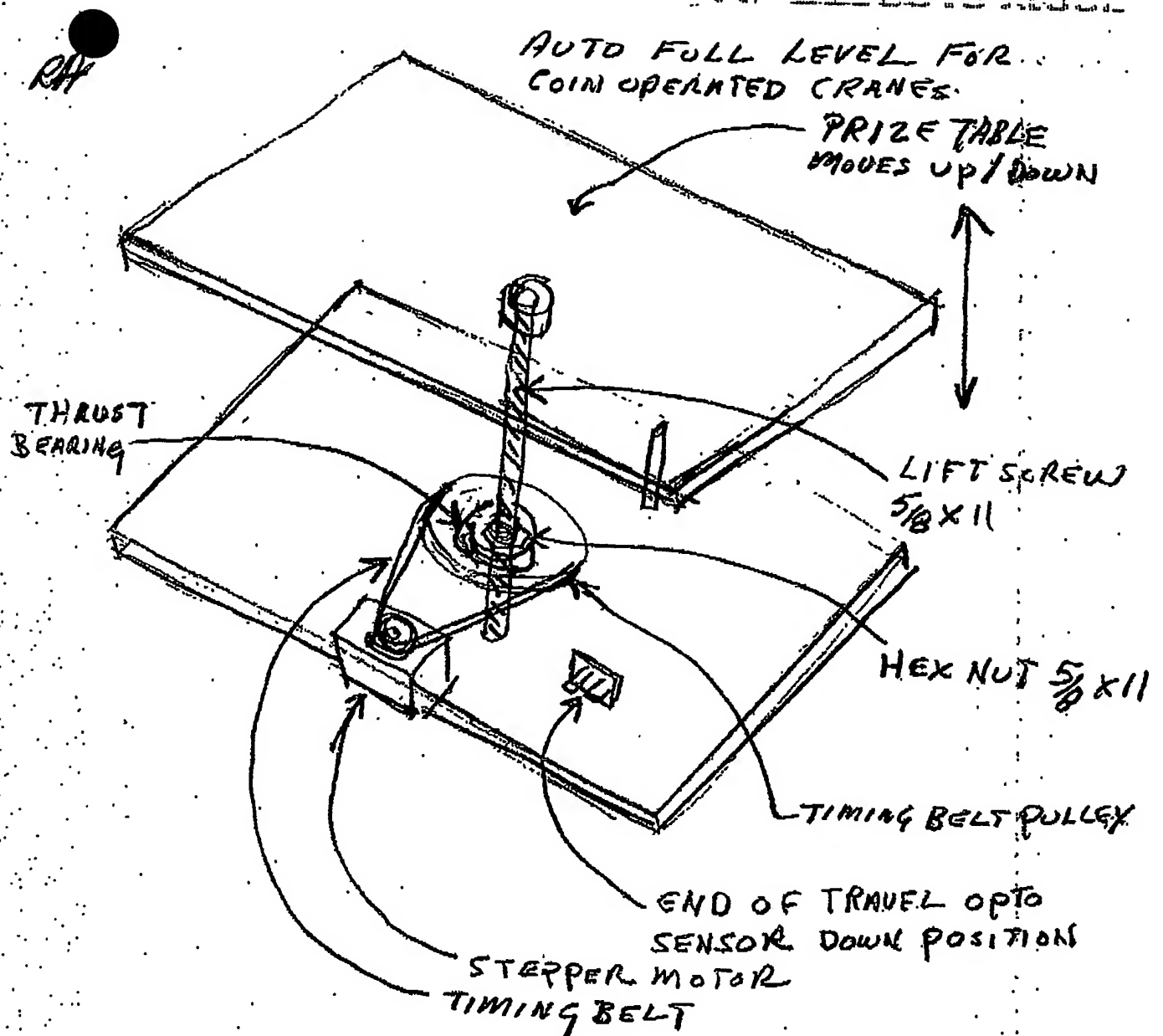
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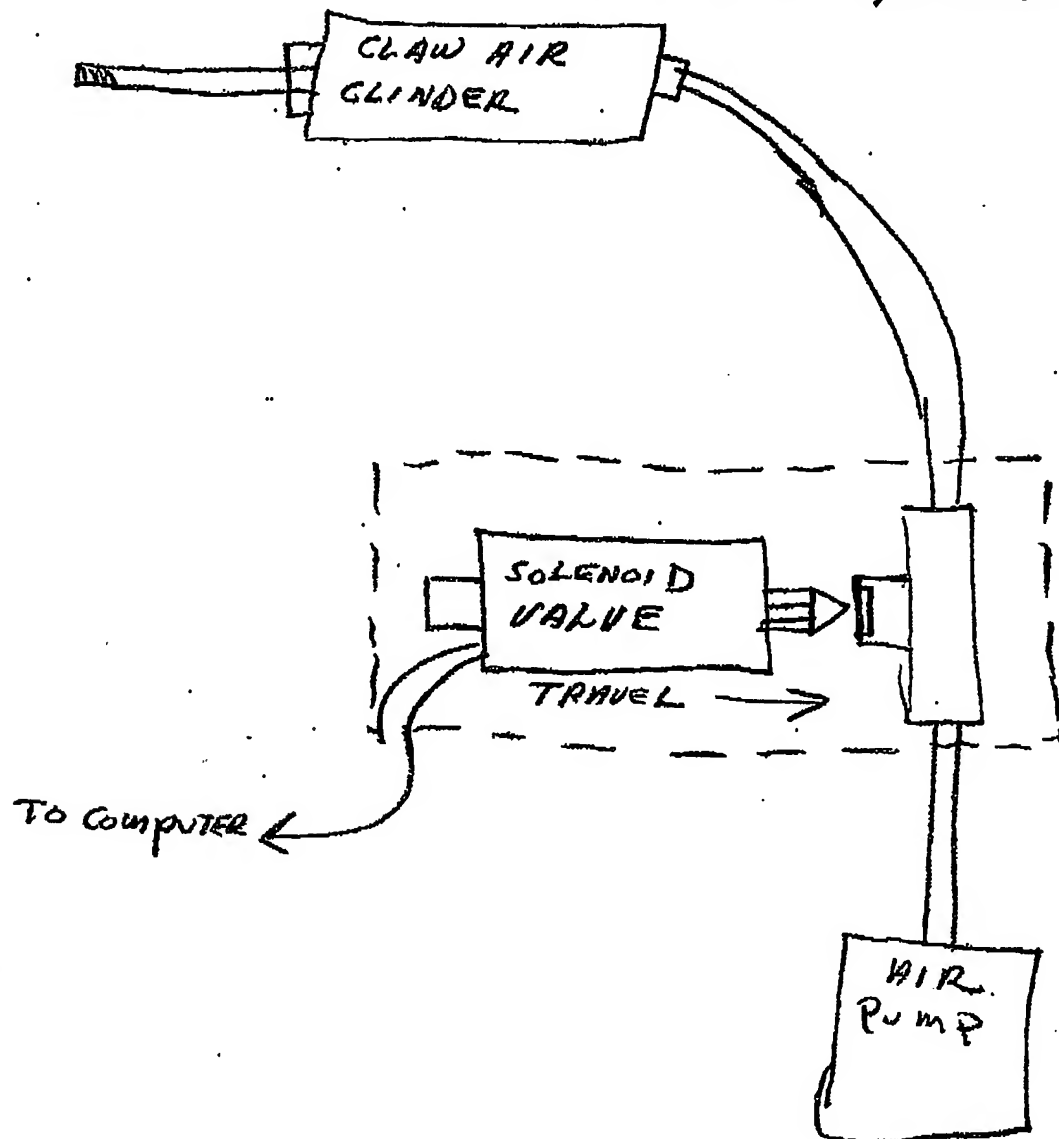


WHEN CRANE IS LOADED THE PRIZE TABLE IS RESET TO DOWN POSITION. AS GAMES ARE PLAYED THE TRAVEL OF THE CLAW IS LOGGED WITH EACH PLAY WHERE A AVG. PRIZE LEVEL CAN BE DETERMINED. THIS ALLOWS FOR A INTELLIGENT WAY OF KEEPING PRIZE LEVEL NEAR FULL FOR MAXIMUM PLAY APPEAR. ALSO DOUBLE AMOUNT OF PRODUCT CAN BE LOADED EACH TIME LIMITING THE AMOUNT OF SERVICE CALLS.

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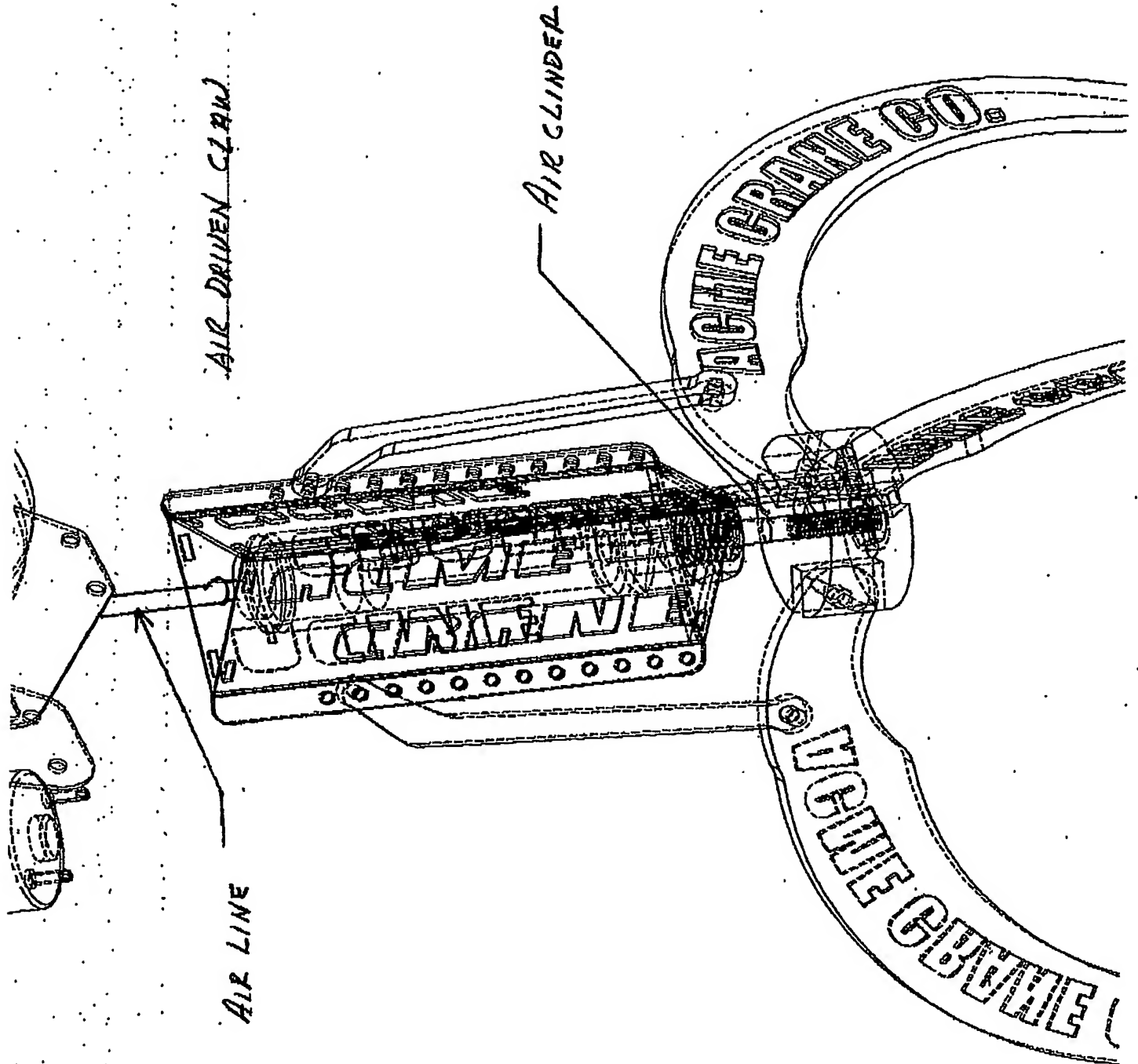
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CRANE CLAW USING AIR CYLINDER



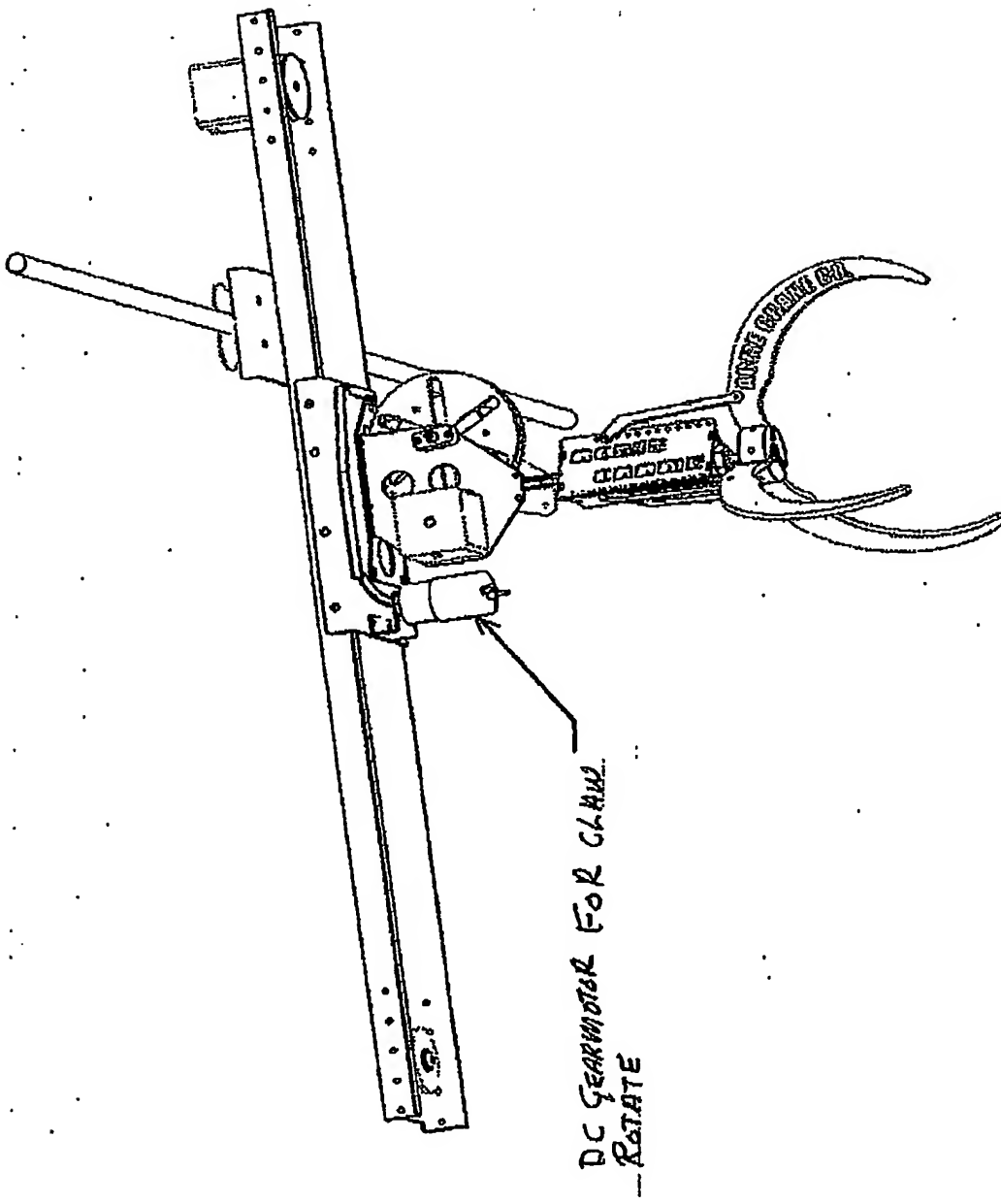
WHEN SOLENOID IS ENERGIZED AIR PRESSURE BUILDS TO ACTIVATE AIR CYLINDER WHEN SOLENOID IS RELEASED AIR PRESSURE IS RELEASED ALLOWING AIR CYLINDER TO RETURN.

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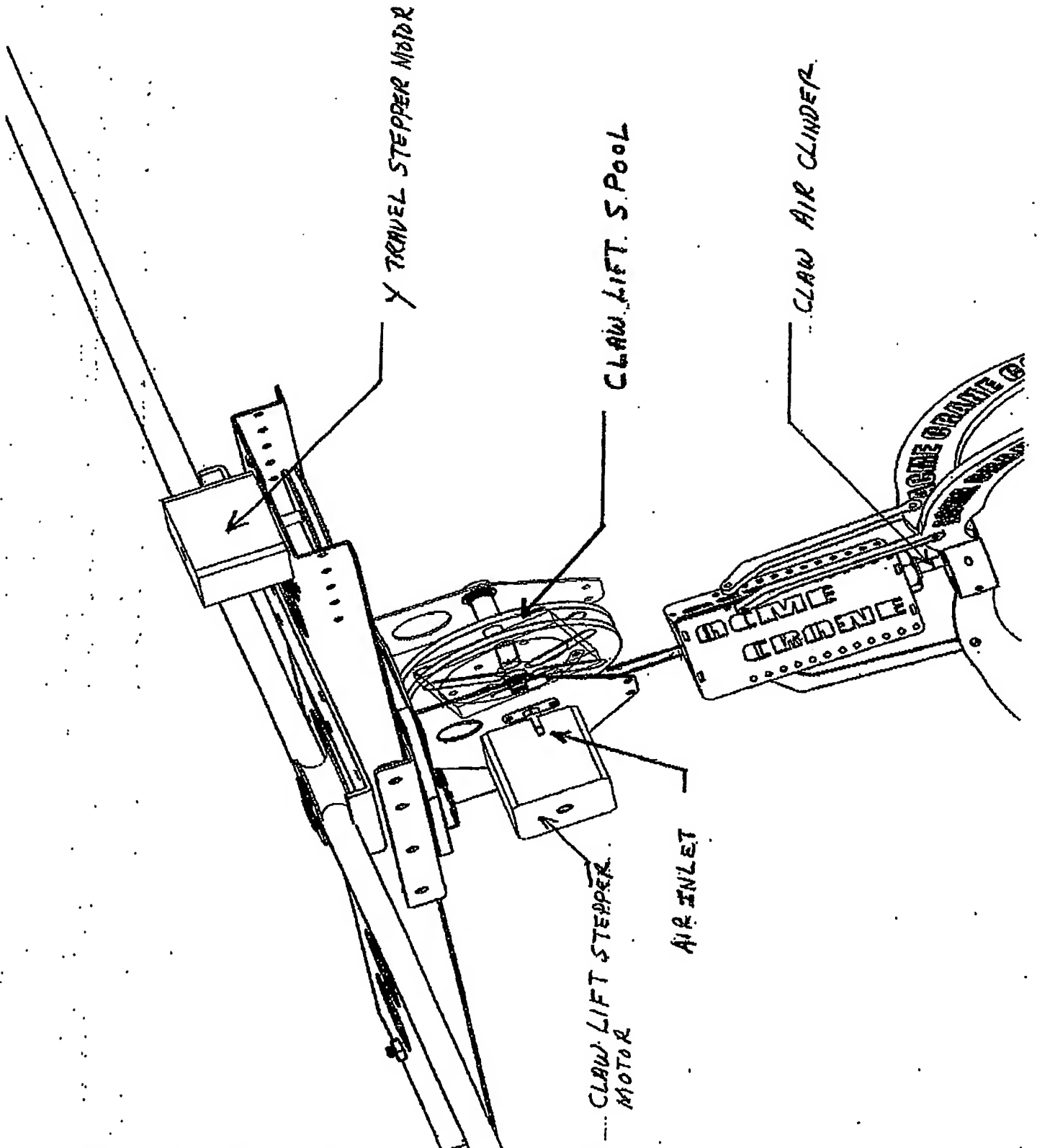


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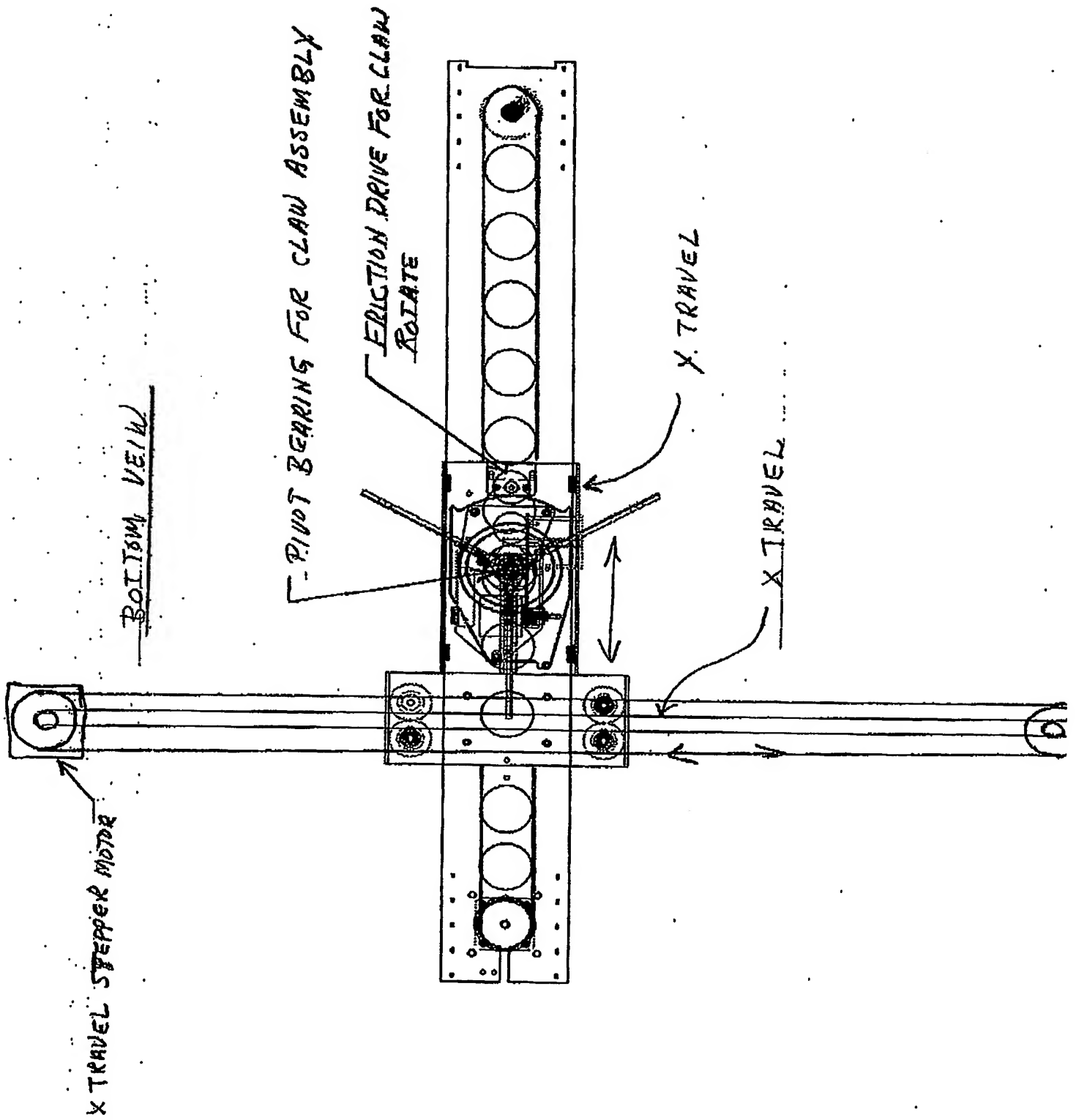
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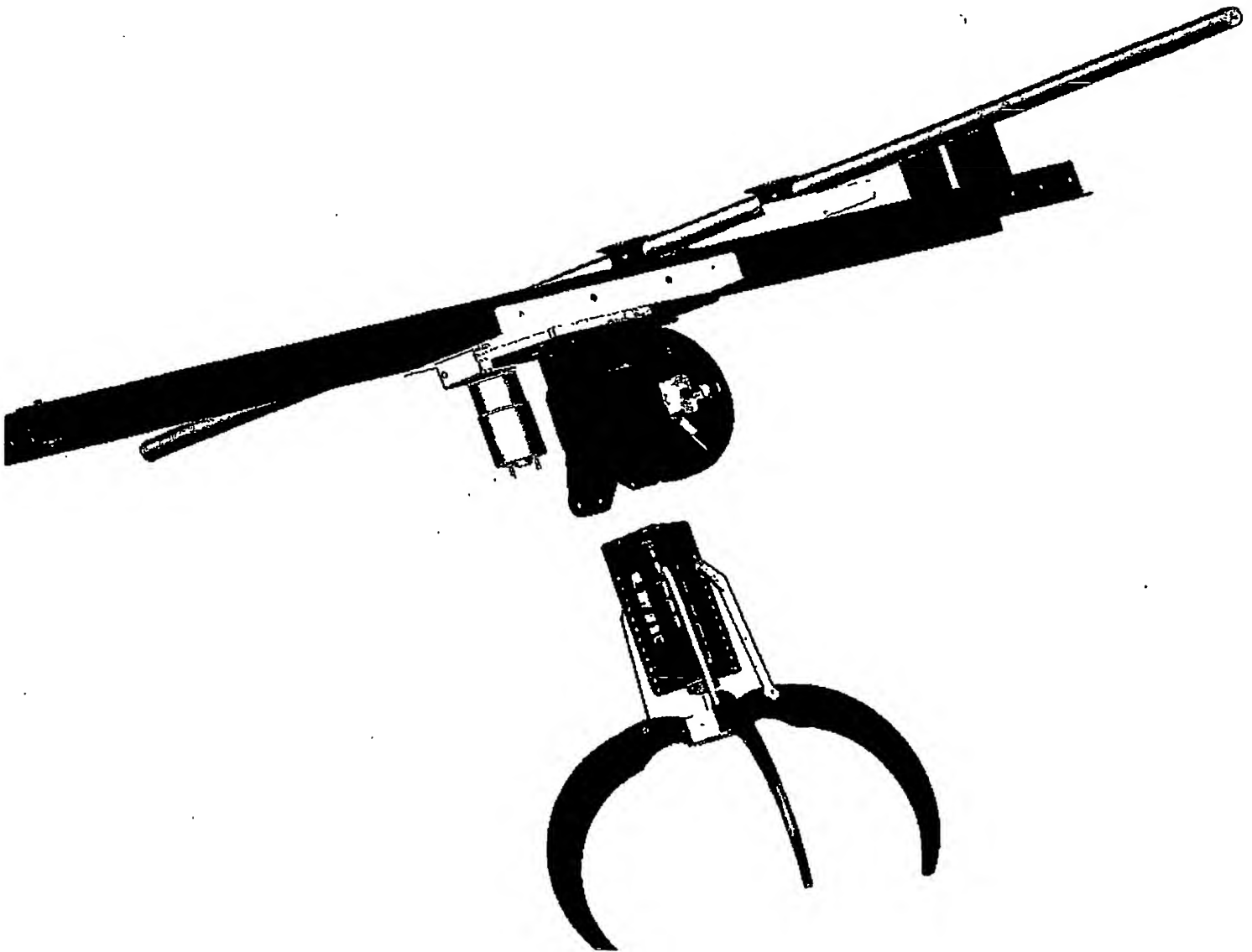


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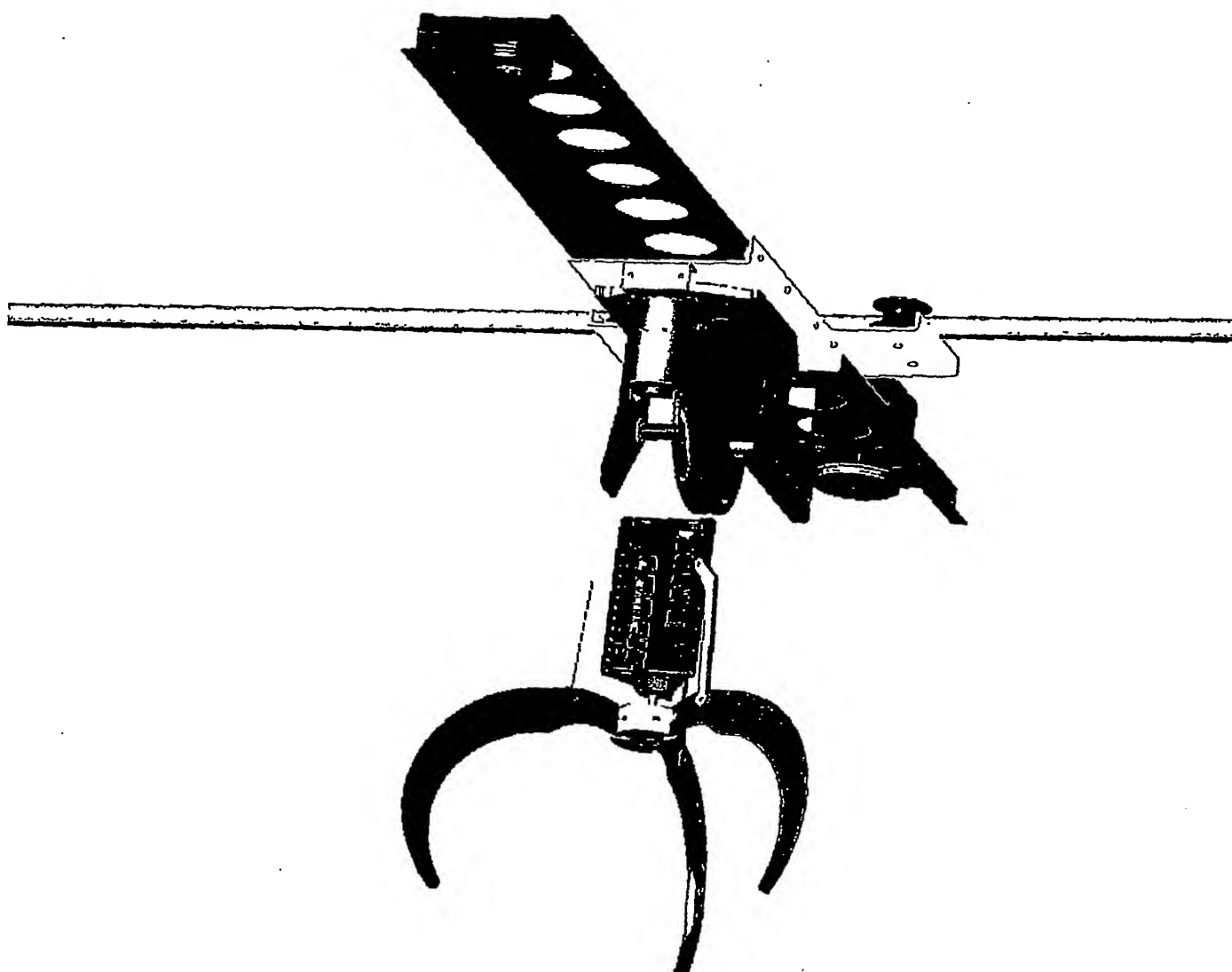
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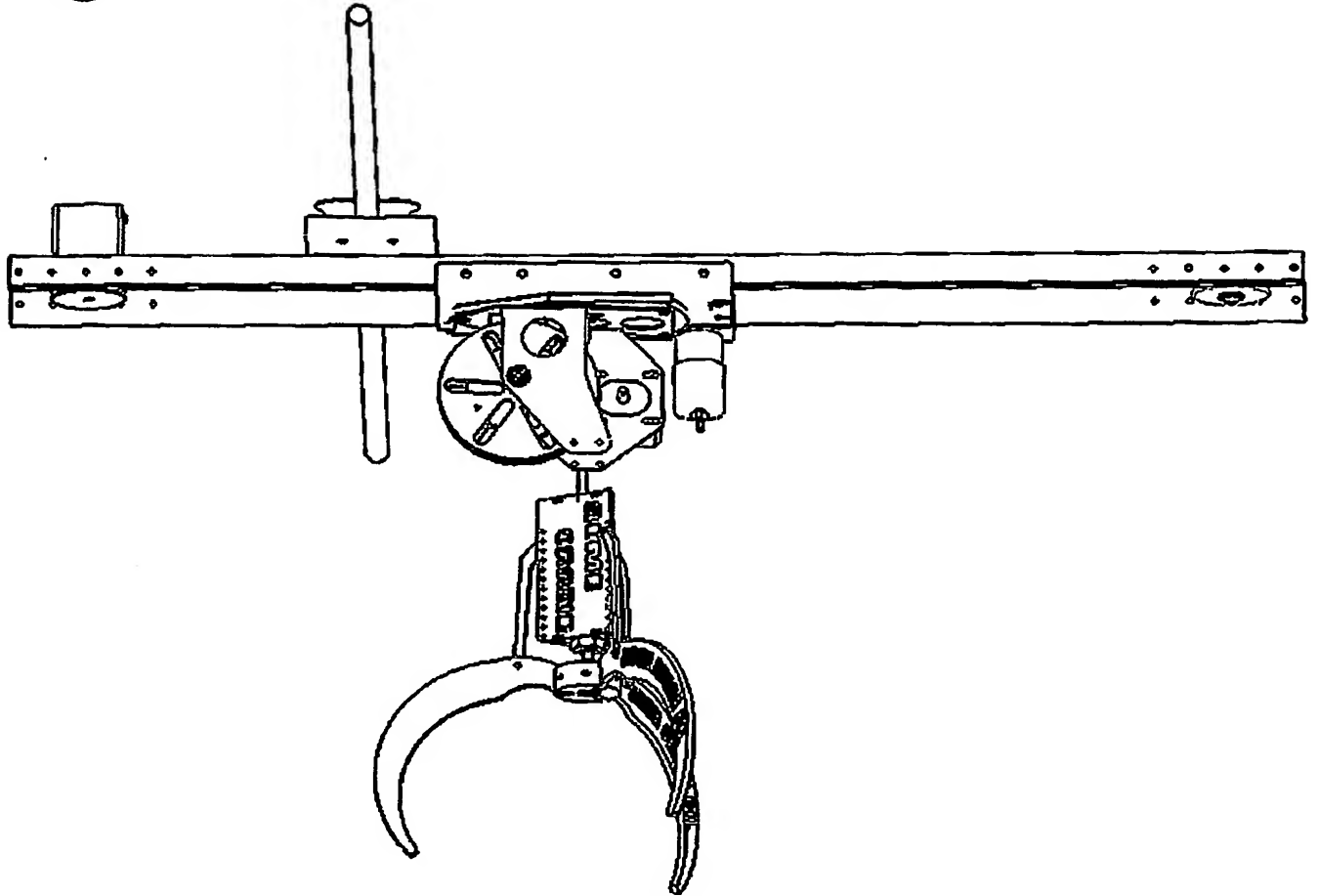
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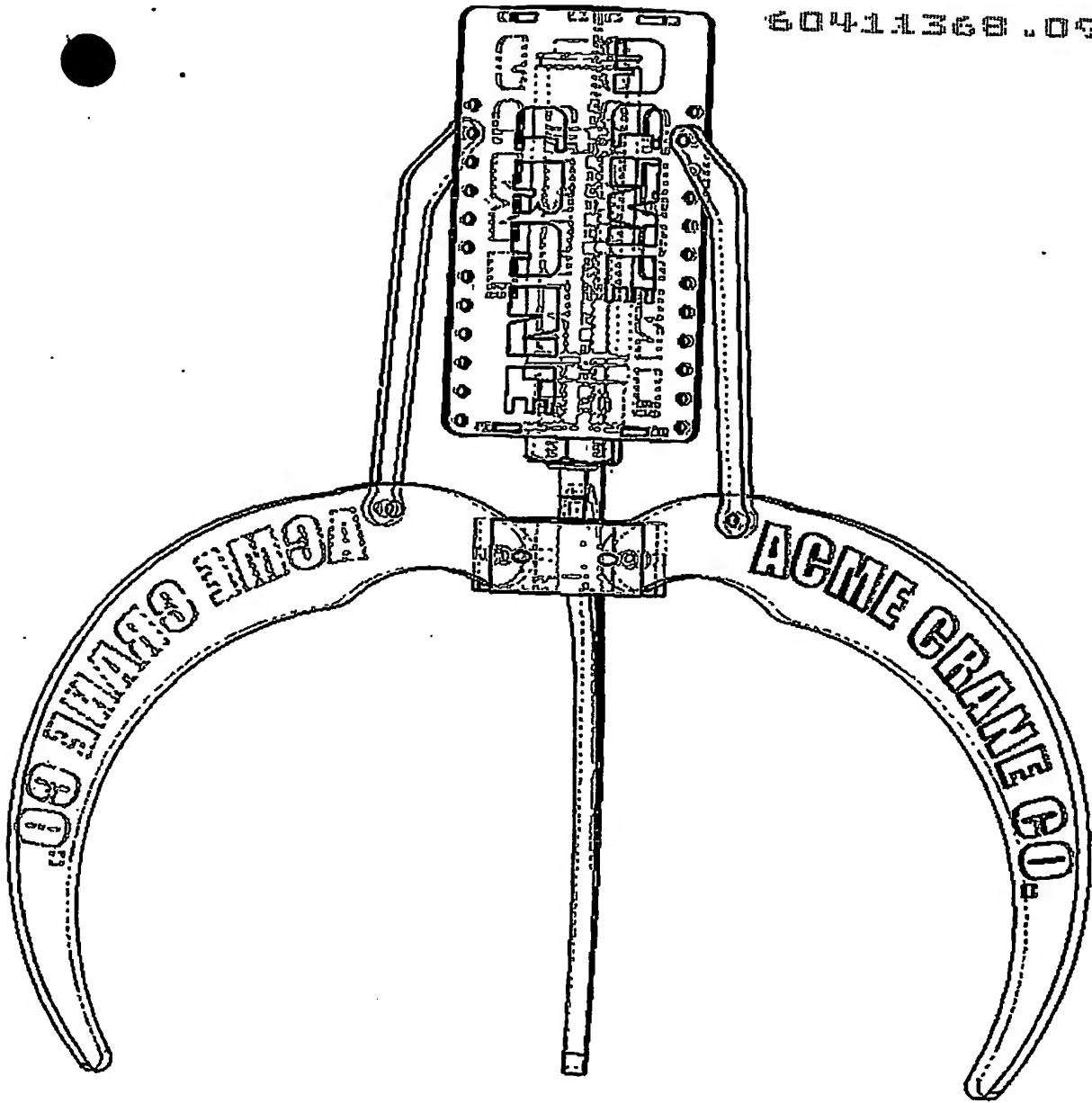
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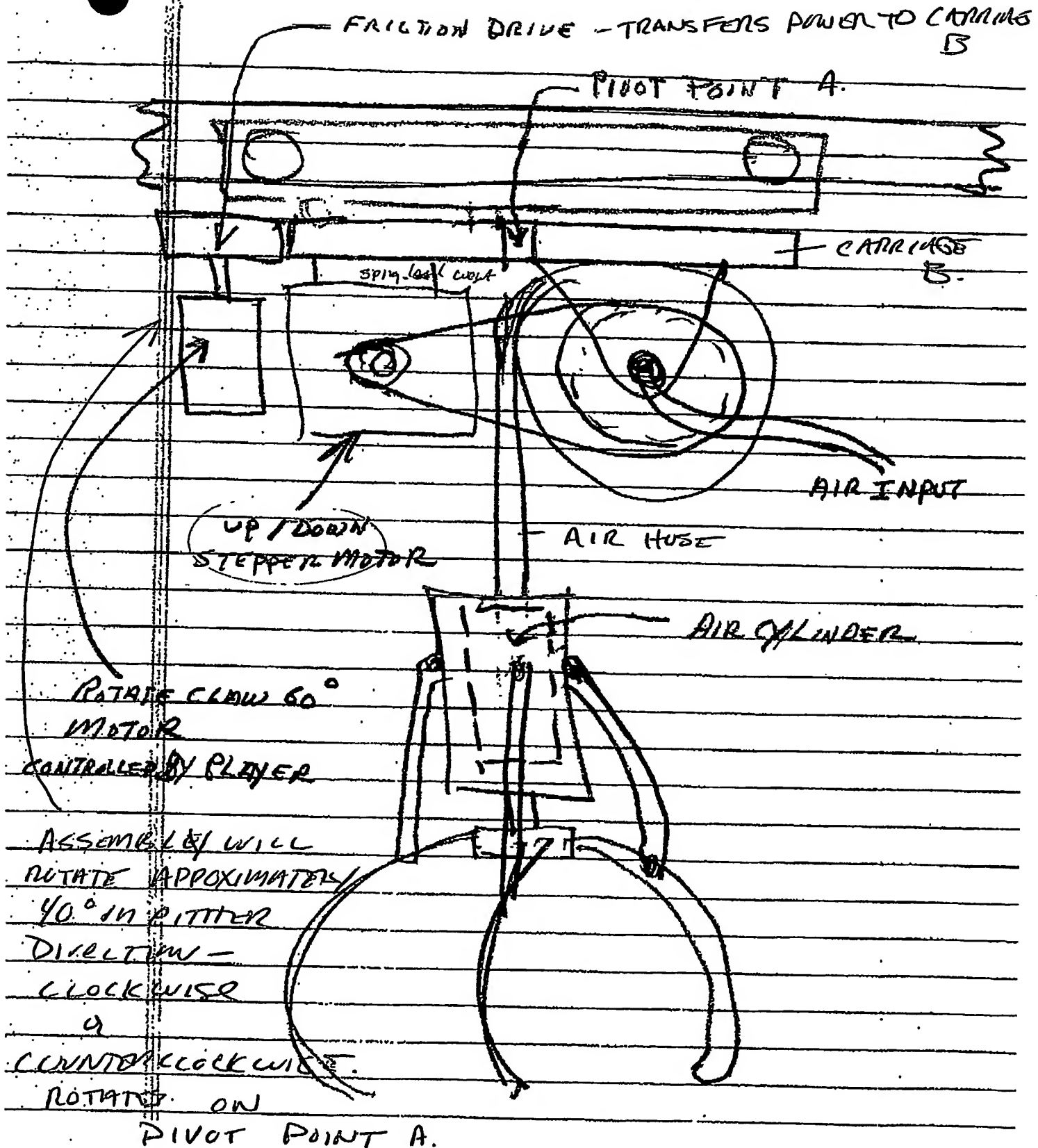


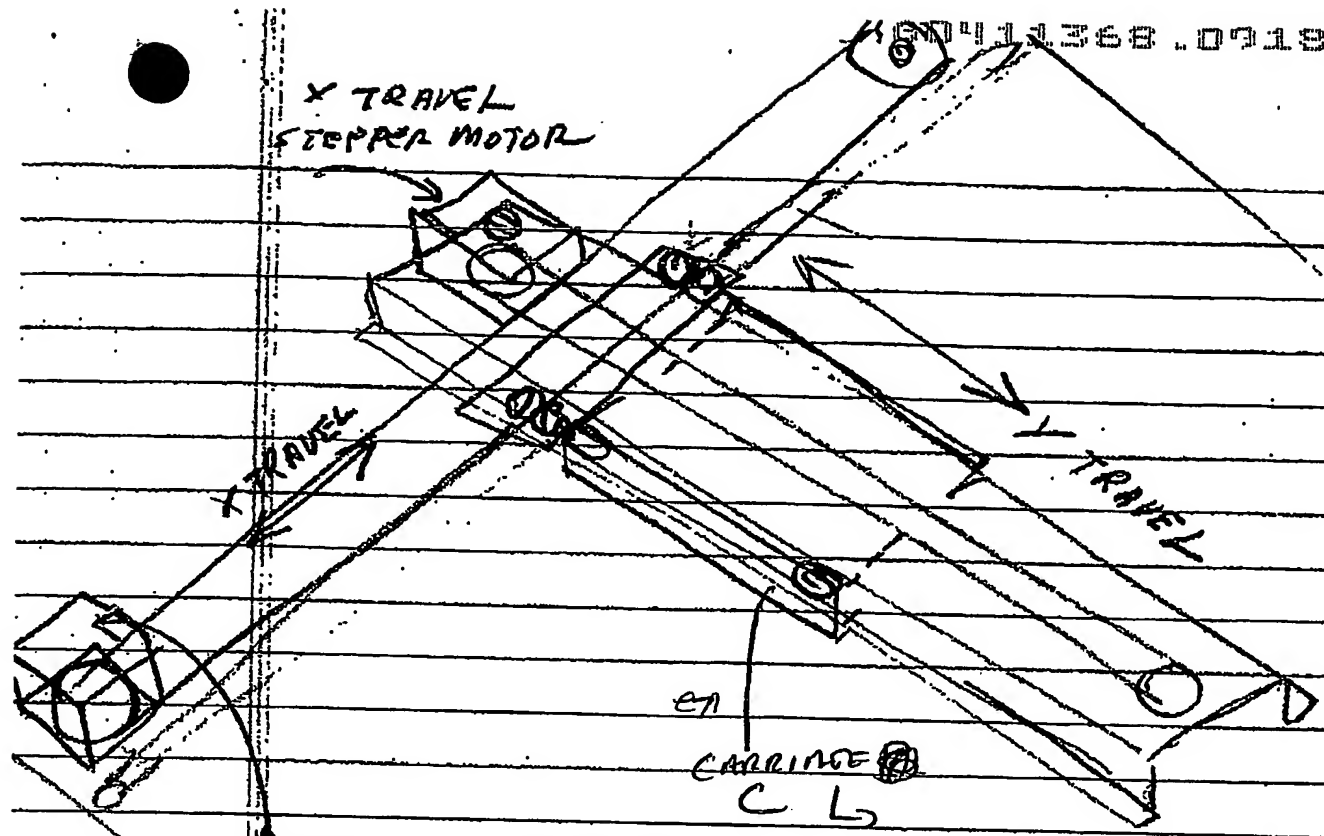
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